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OFFICE OF SECURITY WEEKLY STAFF MEETING (U)

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1. (C) Reassignments



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2. (C) Projects BLUEBIRD and ARTICHOKE

The Director of Security announced that he had met with the DCI concerning discovery of archival material relating to BLUEBIRD and ARTICHOKE. The DCI was pleased by Office of Security action which permitted prompt review of the material and forwarding to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI). Mr. Gambino stated that the found documents provided nothing really new, but did offer some details of the projects not heretofore available.

The DCI has briefed President Carter concerning the find and assured the Chief Executive that the SSCI has been briefed on the find and its implications, as they have developed. With respect to media coverage, Mr. Gambino stated the discovery will be made public and it can be expected that treatment of the news will include critical commentary.

3. (C) Industrial Security Polygraph Program

On 31 August, the DCI authorized full-scale implementation of the polygraph program for selected contractors. Only contractor personnel exposed to highly sensitive data, disclosure of which would represent a high risk, will be polygraphed. It is projected that 1800 individuals fall in this category. Other contractor personnel granted access to Agency information will be processed and cleared under existing criteria, without polygraph. Mr. Gambino emphasized that the industrial polygraph program is a high priority function to be set up as quickly as possible, in a manner to permit immediate operation after organization.

4. (C) DDO/Special Security Unit

Mr. Gambino announced that the Special Security Unit has been abolished. Security functions performed by the unit will now be performed by the Technical Security Division and the Overseas Security Support Branch of the Physical Security Division.

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5. (U/AIUO) Secure Access Control System (SACS)

Mr. Gambino reported that there have been very few problems with SACS since use of the system became mandatory, either with employee reaction or the functioning of equipment. Special appreciation was expressed for the efforts demonstrated engineering expertise, willingness to act as a trouble shooter at considerable personal inconvenience, complete dedication and overall professionalism in his approach to a most difficult and demanding assignment.

6. (U/AIUO) Survey of DDA

The Office of Personnel is conducting a survey of DDA and has focused on a problem area, communication with clerical personnel. While it is Office of Security policy to keep clerical personnel advised of developments, Mr. Gambino stressed that supervisors must ensure briefings of these persons will continue, and if necessary, be improved or expanded.

7. (U/AIUO) Project OUTREACH

The Deputy Director of Security advised that ABC will be filming at Headquarters on 10 September for the TV show "Good Morning America." The show will be aired on 19 September. Further, NBC is in contact with the Agency for filming of a show, the format of which has not been determined by the network.

stated that activities will extend for a period of 30 to 45 days.

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8. (U/AIUO) External Training

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advised that the Office of Training has adopted a tight or hard line approach relating to approval of external training requests by employees. All such requests must be directly related to performance of duty and must be accompanied by a strong justification.

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